RUSSELL DISAVOWS AMERICAN EX-AIDE

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LONDON, Dec. 9—Bertrand Russell issued a statement here tonight repudiating any connection with his former secretary, Ralph Schoenman, or knowledge of his activities.

Earl Russell recalled that Mr. Schoenman, an American, had not been his secretary for more than three years and had been removed from the board of the Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation.

Mr. Schoenman, according to a report in The New York Times on Nov. 30, is planning to establish commissions of inquiry in the United States to look into alleged war atrocities in Vietnam. He said he was speaking for the Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation of America.

Lord Russell said he had tried unsuccessfully to get from Mr. Schoenman an undertaking "that he will not use my name in any way whatsoever to suggest that I am associated with his activities or he with mine."

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